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POTATO SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

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SALES F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT AND DELIVERED SALES SHIPPING POINT BASIS

UPPER VALLEY, TWIN FALLS-BURLEY DISTRICT IDAHO

2012 Season DEMAND BALED GOOD, OTHERS LIGHT.

MARKET CARTONS LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY.

Russet Norkotah U.S. One 2" or 4-oz Min

baled 5 10-lb mesh sacks

non sz A 40% 5-oz min 5.00-5.50

baled 5 10-lb film bags

non sz A 40% 5-oz min 4.50-5.00 occas lower

baled 10 5-lb mesh sacks

non sz A 40% 5-oz min 6.00-6.50

baled 10 5-lb film bags

non sz A 40% 5-oz min 5.25-6.00 mostly 5.50

50 lb cartons

40s 5.00-5.75 occas higher

50s 5.00-5.75 occas higher

60s 5.00-5.75 occas higher

70s 5.00-5.75 occas higher

80s 5.00-5.50 mostly 5.00 few 4.50-4.75

90s 4.50-5.00 occas higher

100s 4.50-5.00 occas higher

U.S. Two 50 lb sacks

6 oz min 4.50-5.00

10 oz min 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.00-5.50 occas higher

90s 6.00

100s 6.00

tote bags approx 2000 lbs per cwt

sz A 5.75-8.00 mostly 7.00-7.50

Round Red U.S. One

baled 5 10-lb film bags

sz A 5.00-7.00 occas lower

baled 10 5-lb film bags

sz A 5.50-7.50 occas lower

50 lb cartons

sz A 5.50-7.50 occas lower

sz B 7.00-11.50 mostly 9.00-11.50

50 lb sacks

sz A 4.00-6.00 occas lower

sz B 6.00-10.00 mostly 8.00-10.00 occas lower

tote bags approx 2000 lbs per cwt

sz A 6.00-10.00 mostly 8.00-10.00 occas fair appearance lower

CENTRAL WISCONSIN

2012 Season DEMAND MODERATE. **MARKET ABOUT STEADY.**

Russet Norkotah U.S. One

baled 5 10-lb film bags

non sz A 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.25-5.50 few lower

baled 10 5-lb film bags

non sz A 6.00-7.00 mostly 6.25-6.50 few lower

50 lb cartons

40s 8.50-10.00 mostly 9.00

50s 8.50-10.00 mostly 9.00

60s 8.50-10.00 mostly 9.00

70s 8.50-10.00 mostly 9.00

80s 7.50-9.00 mostly 8.00-8.50

90s 7.00-8.50 mostly 7.50-8.00

100s 6.50-8.50 mostly 7.50-8.00

Round Red U.S. One

50 lb cartons

sz A 5.50-6.50 mostly 5.50-6.00 few lower

sz B 9.00-12.00 mostly 10.50

BIG LAKE AND CENTRAL MINNESOTA

2012 Season DEMAND MODERATE. **MARKET ABOUT STEADY.**

Round Red has wide range in quality. Truck shortage limiting movement.

Russet Norkotah U.S. One

baled 10 5-lb film bags

sz A 5.25-6.25 mostly 6.00

50 lb cartons

40s 6.00-7.00 mostly 7.00

50s 6.00-7.00 mostly 7.00

60s 6.00-8.50 mostly 7.00

70s 6.00-8.00 mostly 7.00

80s 5.00-8.00 mostly 6.50

Creamers 3/4-1 5/8" 25.00-30.00 mostly 26.00-27.50 few higher and lower includes fair appearance

50 lb sacks

sz A 4.50-5.50 mostly 4.50-5.00 few lower

sz B 8.00-11.00 mostly 9.50

tote bags approx 2000 lbs per cwt

sz A 8.00-10.00 mostly 8.50-9.50 includes fair appearance

Yellow Type Yukon Gold U.S. One

50 lb cartons

sz A 10.50-11.50

COLUMBIA BASIN WASHINGTON & UMATILLA BASIN OREGON

2012 Season DEMAND MODERATE. **MARKET CARTONS SLIGHTLY LOWER, OTHERS ABOUT STEADY.**

Russet Norkotah U.S. One 2" or 4-oz Min

baled 5 10-lb film bags

sz A 4.00-5.00 mostly 4.00-4.50

non sz A 3.25-4.50 mostly 3.50-4.00

baled 10 5-lb film bags

sz A 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.00-5.50

non sz A 4.25-5.50 mostly 4.50-5.00

50 lb cartons

40s 6.00-6.50 few 5.00-5.50 occas higher

50s 6.00-6.50 few 5.00-5.50 occas higher

60s 6.00-6.50 few 5.00-5.50 occas higher

70s 6.00-6.50 few 5.00-5.50 occas higher

80s 6.00-6.50 few 5.00-5.50 occas higher

90s 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.00-5.50 occas higher

100s 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.00-5.50 occas higher

U.S. Two 50 lb sacks

10 oz min 5.00-6.00 few 4.00-4.50 occas higher

NEBRASKA

2012 Season DEMAND LIGHT. **MARKET ABOUT STEADY.** Truck shortage limiting movement.

Russet Norkotah U.S. One

baled 5 10-lb film bags

sz A 5.25-5.50 few higher

baled 10 5-lb film bags

sz A 6.25-6.50 few higher

50 lb cartons

40s 7.50-8.00 mostly 7.50 occas higher

50s 7.50-8.00 mostly 7.50 occas higher

60s 7.50-8.00 mostly 7.50 occas higher

70s 7.50-8.00 mostly 7.50 occas higher

80s 7.00-8.00 mostly 7.00 occas higher

90s 6.50-8.00 mostly 7.00 occas lower

100s 6.50-8.00 mostly 7.00 occas lower

SAN LUIS VALLEY COLORADO

2012 Season DEMAND LIGHT. **MARKET ABOUT STEADY.** Truck shortage limiting movement.

Russet Norkotah/Other Varieties U.S. One

baled 5 10-lb film bags

sz A 4.50-5.50 mostly 5.00

baled 10 5-lb film bags

sz A 5.50-6.50 mostly 6.00

50 lb cartons

40s 7.00-8.00 occas lower

50s 7.00-8.00 occas lower

60s 7.00-8.00 occas lower

70s 7.00-8.00 occas lower

80s 7.00-8.00 mostly 7.00

90s 7.00-8.00 mostly 7.00

100s 7.00-8.00 mostly 7.00

U.S. Coml bulk

per cwt 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.00-5.50

DELAWARE

2012 Season DEMAND LIGHT. **MARKET STEADY.**

Round White U.S. One

50 lb sacks

sz A 6.00 few low as 5.00

Chef 10.00 few low as 9.00

tote bags approx 2000 lbs per cwt

sz A 10.00

LONG ISLAND NEW YORK

2012 Season DEMAND LIGHT. **MARKET STEADY.**

Round White U.S. One

baled 10 5-lb sacks

sz A 9.00 occas higher/lower

50 lb sacks

sz A 6.00 occas lower

lge 9.50-10.00 occas lower

Yellow Type U.S. One

50 lb sacks

sz A 10.00 occas higher/lower

POTATOES - SHIPMENTS & IMPORTS - 1,000 CWT											
Areas currently shipping - Preliminary								TTD		FINAL	
	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	THIS	LAST	LAST	
September	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	SSN	SSN	SSN	
California Northern	TR W/E 9/8: 14							729	682	682	
	TR-EXPT 0 0 0 0 0 0 0							129	81	81	
Nevada	TR W/E 9/8: 17							1,134	1,127	1,127	
2012 Crop											
Idaho	TR 108 130 116 100 24 0 135							1,930	1,160	25,869	
	TR-EXPT 0 0 0 0 0 0 6							11	24	212	
	RL & PB 1 11 16 16 2 1 18							187	108	7,296	
	TOTAL 109 141 132 116 26 1 159							2128	1292	33377	
California Kern District	TR W/E 9/8: 5							2,622	2,030	2,172	
	TR-EXPT 0 0 0 0 0 0 0							489	516	520	
Stockton-Delta	RL & PB 0 0 0 0 0 0 0							951	1,209	1,213	
	TR W/E 9/8: 60							498	477	562	
Southern	TR-EXPT W/E 9/8: 2							18	26	29	
	RL & PB 1 0 1 2 0 0 0							20	65	96	
	TR W/E 9/8: 27							333	294	447	
	TR-EXPT W/E 9/8: 1							5	56	62	
Colorado San Luis Valley	TR 38 20 36 47 1 0 36							229	337	12,937	
	TR-EXPT W/E 9/8: 11							11	30	640	
Northern	TR W/E 9/8: 25							149	364	964	
Delaware	TR 3 4 4 2 1 0 2							153	147	181	
Kansas	TR W/E 9/8: 22							523	586	714	
	RL 0 0 0 0 0 0 0							60	60	60	
Michigan	TR W/E 9/8: 10							35	117	1,946	
Minnesota Big Lake & Central	TR 29 29 23 26 14 0 21							909	1,030	1,755	
	TR-EXPT 0 0 0 0 0 0 0							7	6	6	
Nebraska	TR 19 20 19 18 10 0 11							463	280	2,101	
New Mexico	TR W/E 9/8: 12							20	12	895	
New York Eastern Long Island	TR 0 0 0 0 0 0 3							41	82	545	
	TR-EXPT W/E 9/8: 2							7	4	13	
North Dakota Red River Valley	TR W/E 9/8: 13							13	0	2,423	
Oregon Umatilla Basin	TR 9 9 8 7 8 0 9							317	173	1,484	
	TR-EXPT 2 1 1 4 0 0 2							39	42	288	
	RL 0 0 1 1 0 0 1							28	19	205	
Texas Hereford Hi-Plains	TR W/E 9/8: 69							919	968	2,127	
Washington Columbia Basin	TR 41 20 30 24 18 0 24							1,107	1,446	5,828	
	TR-EXPT 9 9 13 11 4 0 9							306	327	1,874	
	RL & PB 1 11 1 14 0 0 1							121	142	687	
	TR 1 1 1 2 1 0 0							33	96	150	
	TR W/E 9/8: 2							2	0	1,319	
Organic Northwestern	TR-EXPT W/E 9/8: 3							4	0	233	
Wisconsin	TR 39 26 33 24 14 0 31							697	667	6,358	
Canada-Commerce	2011 Crop July-June							4,127	4,200	4,524	
TOTAL	301	291	303	298	97	1	309	15249	14790	86101	

ONION SHIPPING POINT INFORMATION FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

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2012 Season DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. **MARKET STEADY.**

Yellow Hybrid

50 lb sacks

col 7.00-8.00 mostly 8.00

jbo 5.50-7.00 mostly 6.00

med 5.00-6.00 mostly 5.00-5.50

Hybrid - Marked Sweet

40 lb cartons

jbo 11.00-12.00 occas higher

White

50 lb sacks

jbo 10.00-12.00 mostly 11.00-12.00 occas lower

med 8.00-9.00 occas higher & lower

Red Globe Type

25 lb sacks

jbo 8.00-10.00

med 6.00-8.00 mostly 7.00

IDAHO AND MALHEUR COUNTY, OREGON

2012 Season DEMAND FAIRLY GOOD. **MARKET STEADY.**

Yellow Spanish Hybrid U.S. One

50 lb sacks

super col 10.00-12.00 mostly 12.00 occas higher

col 8.00-10.00 mostly 8.00-9.00 occas lower

jbo 6.00-7.00

med 6.00 occas higher & lower

White U.S. One

50 lb sacks

jbo 10.00-12.00 mostly 12.00

med 10.00 occas higher & lower

Red Globe Type U.S. One

25 lb sacks

jbo 11.00-13.00 mostly 12.00 occas lower

med 8.00-10.00 occas lower

PERU IMPORTS - REPACKED AT VARIOUS EAST COAST SHIPPING POINTS

2012 Season DEMAND MODERATE. **MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER.**

Yellow Granex - Marked Sweet

40 lb cartons

col 21.00-23.00 mostly 21.00-22.00 occas higher & lower

jbo 21.00-23.00 mostly 21.00-22.00 occas higher & lower

MICHIGAN

2012 Season DEMAND FAIRLY LIGHT. **MARKET ABOUT STEADY.**

Yellow Globe Type

master container 16 3-lb mesh sacks

med 10.00-12.00 few higher and lower

rpkr sz 8.00-10.00 few higher and lower

NEW YORK

2012 Season DEMAND MODERATE. **MARKET ABOUT STEADY.**

Yellow Globe Type

50 lb sacks

med 2 1/4" min 9.00-10.00 occasional lower

2" min 7.00-9.00 mostly 7.50-8.00

master container 16 3-lb mesh sacks

med 2 1/4" min 11.50-13.00

2" min 9.50-11.00

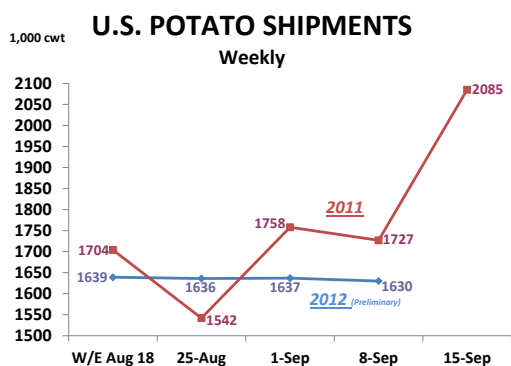
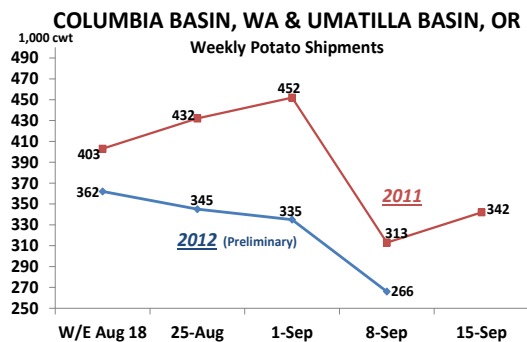
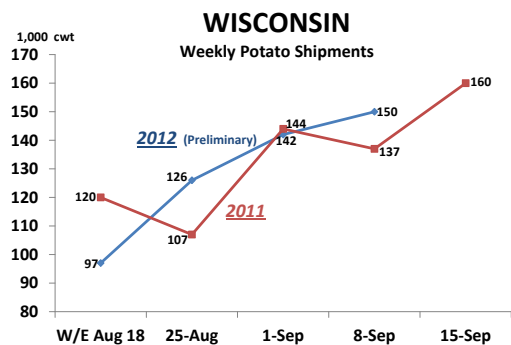
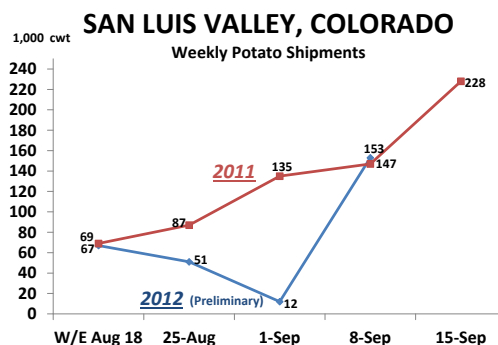
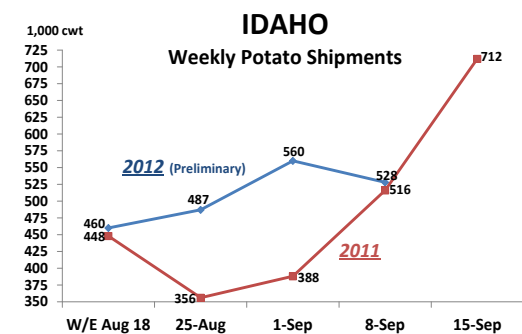
Red Globe Type

25 lb sacks

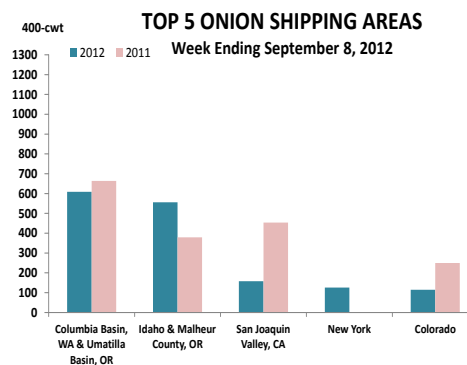
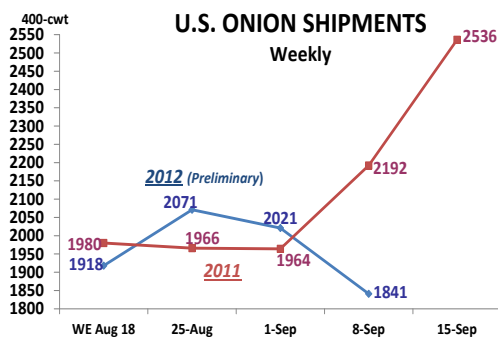
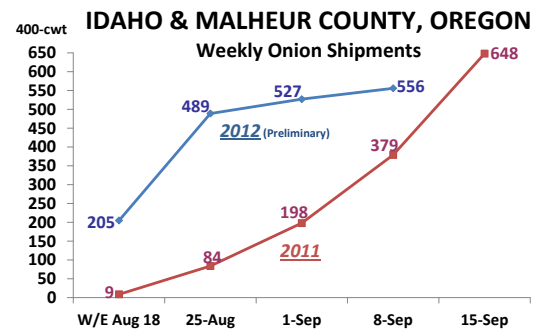
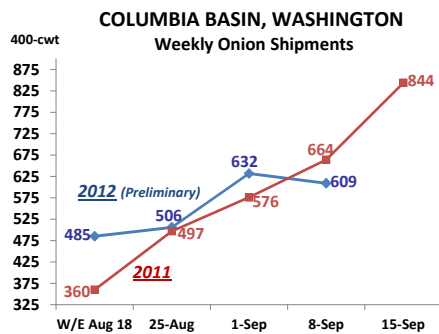
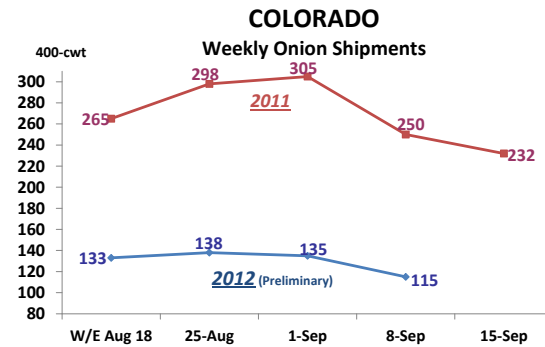
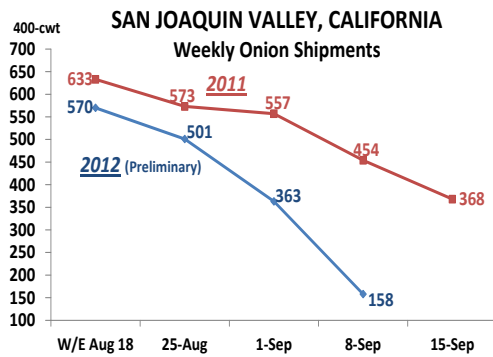
jbo 11.00-13.00

med 8.00-11.00 mostly 9.00-10.00

ONIONS - SHIPMENTS & IMPORTS - 400 CWT											
Area Currently Shipping - Preliminary								TID		FINAL	
	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	THIS	LAST	LAST	
September	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	SSN	SSN	SSN	
Idaho & Malheur County, Oregon	TR	106	144	129	144	0	0	137	1,972	779	17,207
	TR-EXPT	1	1	3	2	0	0	2	36	6	1,608
	RL & PB	0	3	6	9	9	0	21	49	3	5,881
Total ID & Malheur Co.	107	148	138	155	9	0	160	2057	788	24696	
California											
San Joaquin Valley	TR	44	7	11	8	41	0	0	7,203	6,405	7,948
	TR-EXPT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	486	0	0
	RL & PB	15	16	7	6	0	0	5	1,707	1,794	1,932
Southern	TR	W/E 9/8: 94						699	261	2,630	
Colorado	TR	20	27	19	29	13	0	32	843	1,617	5,869
Michigan	TR	5	6	6	6	3	0	4	118	77	1,243
New Mexico	TR	W/E 9/8: 6						7,023	7,145	7,200	
New York	TR	19	27	26	22	22	0	28	610	0	1,410
Oregon											
Umatilla Basin	TR	W/E 8/18: 96						882	0	0	
	TR-EXPT	W/E 8/18: 30						203	0	0	
	RL & PB	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	14	0	0
Utah	TR	W/E 9/8: 15						37	0	1,514	
Washington											
Columbia Basin	TR	95	56	114	47	56	0	96	2,172	2,074	16,392
	TR-EXPT	15	36	41	31	4	0	46	791	761	7,265
	RL & PB	3	35	6	56	0	0	5	488	436	4,316
Total Columbia Basin	113	127	161	134	60	0	147	3451	3271	27973	
Walla Walla District	TR	W/E 9/1: 5						489	505	505	
	TR-EXPT	W/E 8/25: 3						68	97	97	
Wisconsin	TR	W/E 9/8: 24						96	0	674	
IMPORTS-ALL PORTS											
Canada-Commerce	TR	2011 Crop July-June						1,293	1,752	2,125	
Mexico											
Crossings thru El Paso, TX	TR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	211
Crossings thru Laredo, TX	TR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
Crossings thru Otay Mesa	TR	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	86
Crossings thru Pharr, TX	TR	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	1,673
Crossings thru Progreso, TX	TR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3,833
Crossings thru Rio Grande City	TR	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	10	0	1,259
Crossings thru Roma, TX	TR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Crossings thru New Mexico	TR	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	4	0	841
total Mexico Crossings	1	2	1	6	0	1	0	20	0	7944	
Peru	TR	13	17	17	11	13	2	15	415	316	3,585
Spain	TR	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	35	8	16
U.S. TOTAL	337	377	393	377	161	3	394	27749	24036	97361	
ONIONS PROCESSED											
US - EAST	TR	W/E 9/8: 11						1,088	1,229	1,759	
US - WEST	TR	W/E 9/8: 147						12,076	12,053	16,213	



POTATOES	THREE-WEEK COMPARISON			
	8/25/2012	9/1/2012	9/8/2012	Grand Total
Sum of 100000lb units				
Row Labels				
CALIFORNIA-CENTRAL	87	79	70	236
CALIFORNIA-NORTH	10	12	14	36
CALIFORNIA-SOUTH	36	36	29	101
COLORADO	97	57	178	332
DELAWARE	19	18	15	52
IDAHO	488	560	528	1576
KANSAS	47	43	22	112
MICHIGAN	2	11	10	23
MINNESOTA	157	146	129	432
NEBRASKA	115	109	95	319
NEVADA	23	19	17	59
NEW MEXICO	1	6	12	19
NEW YORK	9	13	9	31
NORTH DAKOTA			13	13
OREGON	62	59	54	175
TEXAS	81	53	68	202
WASHINGTON	273	277	219	769
WISCONSIN	125	142	149	416
Grand Total	1632	1640	1631	4903
Same Week Last Year	1541	1759	1726	5026



NATIONAL SHIPPING POINT TRENDS

Unless otherwise stated, shipments, crossings or imports are for the weeks ending August 25, September 01 and 08, 2012, in that order in thousand hundredweight (cwt) or 100,000 pound units. Expected movement is for the period September 09 - 22, 2012. Prices are for Monday, September 10, 2012 compared to Tuesday, September 04, 2012. Unless otherwise stated, sales are F.O.B. Shipping Point Basis (including Delivered Sales, F.O.B. Shipping Point Basis) or port of entry and extra services are included. Prices represent open (spot) market sales by first handlers on product of generally good quality and condition unless otherwise stated and may include promotional allowances or other incentives. No consideration is given to after-sale adjustments unless otherwise stated. Brokerage fees paid by shipper are included in the price reported.

POTATOES

UNITED STATES---Shipments (not including imports) 1635-1637*-1630--- The top shipping states, in order, were Idaho, Columbia Basin Washington/ Umatilla Basin Oregon, Colorado, Wisconsin, and Big Lake Minnesota. The Market News Service survey of over 21,000 retail stores had potatoes on ad last week in 13,014 a 6 percent decrease from the 13,873 stores the prior week. Diesel prices for the week of September 10, 2012 were 4.13, generally unchanged from the previous week (U.S. EIA). Shipments for the month of August were 7,453,000 cwt, a 2 percent increase from August 2011 shipments of 7,303,000 cwt. *revised.

UPPER VALLEY, TWIN FALLS-BURLEY DISTRICT, IDAHO---Shipments 452-559-528 (includes export of 1-3-0)---Movement expected to remain about the same. Trading baled active, cartons fairly slow. Prices baled generally unchanged, cartons lower. Russet Norkotah U.S. One baled 5 10-pound film bags non size A 4.50-5.00, 50-pound cartons 40-70s 5.50-6.00, 80s mostly 5.00, 90-100s mostly 4.50-5.00. Shipments for the month of August were 2,381,000 cwt, a 13 percent increase from August 2011 shipments of 2,099,000 cwt.

COLUMBIA BASIN, WASHINGTON AND UMATILLA BASIN OREGON---Shipments 336-334-266 (includes export of 70-66-55)--- Movement expected to remain about the same. Trading baled fairly active, cartons fairly slow. Prices baled slightly higher, cartons 40-70s slightly lower, others generally unchanged. Russet Norkotahs U.S. One baled 5 10-pound film bags non size A mostly 3.50-4.00, 50-pound cartons 40-70s mostly 6.00-6.50, 80s 6.00-6.50, 90-100s 5.00-6.00. Shipments for the month of August were 1,473,000 cwt, an 11 percent decrease from August 2011 shipments of 1,651,000 cwt.

SAN LUIS VALLEY, COLORADO---Shipments 64-34*-153 (including export 13-9*-11)---Movement expected to decrease seasonally. Trading slow. Prices lower, Russet U.S. One baled 10 5-pound film bags size A mostly 5.00, 50-pound cartons 40-70s 7.00-8.00, 80-100s mostly 7.00. *revised.

CENTRAL WISCONSIN---Shipments 126-142-150---Movement expected to increase seasonally. Trading moderate. Prices Russet slightly lower, others generally unchanged. Round Red U.S. One 50-pound cartons size A mostly 5.50-6.00, size B mostly 10.50. Russet Norkotah U.S. One baled 5 10-pound film bags non size A mostly 5.25-5.50, 50-pound cartons 40-70s mostly 9.00, 80s mostly 8.00- 8.50, 90s-100s mostly 7.50-8.00. Yellow Type 50-pound cartons size A 10.50- 11.50. Monthly shipments for August 2012 were 445,000 cwt, compared to 389,000 cwt during the same period in August of 2011.

BIG LAKE AND CENTRAL MINNESOTA---Shipments 158-147-130---Movement expected to decrease seasonally. Trading moderate. Prices Russet tote and cartons lower, others generally unchanged. Round Red U.S. One baled 5 10-pound film bags size A 5.00-7.00, 50-pound cartons size A 5.50-7.50, size B mostly 9.00-11.00, 50-pound sacks size A 4.00-6.00, size B mostly 8.00-10.00, tote bags approximately 2000 pounds per cwt size A mostly 8.00- 10.00. Russet Norkotah U.S. One baled 10 5-pound film bags size mostly 6.00, 50-pound cartons 40-70s mostly 7.00, 80s mostly 6.50, 90-100s 6.00, tote bags approximately 2,000 pounds per cwt size A mostly 7.00-7.50.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT---Shipments 115-103-95---Movement expected to remain about the same. Trading slow. Prices Cartons lower, others generally unchanged. Russet Norkotah U.S. One baled 10 5-pound film bags size A 5.25- 5.50, 50-pound cartons 40-70s mostly 7.00-7.50, 80s 7.00, 90-100s 7.00.

HEREFORD HIGH PLAINS TEXAS-EASTERN NEW MEXICO---Shipments 81-53*-69 Movement expected to decrease seasonally. Supplies in too few hands to establish a market. Two growers still harvesting Russet Norkotah. *revised.

STOCKTON-DELTA---Shipments 80-77-66 (including export)---Movement expected to remain about the same. Trading Long White active, Yellow Type fairly active, and Round Red slow. Supplies in too few hands to establish a market. Unofficial prices for September 10, 2012: U.S. One 50-pound cartons size A Round Red 8.00-9.00, Long White 16.00, Yellow Type 12.00.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT---Shipments 37-37-28---Movement expected to remain about the same. Supplies in too few hands to establish a market.

NORTHERN COLORADO---Shipments 34-24-25---Movement expected to remain about the same. Supplies in too few hands to establish a market. Two growers are currently harvesting and shipping.

KANSAS DISTRICT---Shipments 47-43*-22---Movement expected to decrease seasonally. Supplies in too few hands to establish a market. One grower continues to harvest Russet supplies. *revised.

DELAWARE---Shipments 19-18-15---Movement expected about the same. Trading slow. Prices generally unchanged. Round White U.S. One size A 50 pound sacks mostly 6.00, tote bags approx. 2,000 pounds per cwt. 10.00.

KLAMATH BASIN (NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-SOUTHERN OREGON)---Shipments 10-7-14 (including export 0-0-0)---Movement expected to decrease seasonally. Supplies in too few hands to establish a market.

RED RIVER VALLEY(MINNESOTA-NORTH DAKOTA)---Shipments 0-0-13---Movement expected to increase seasonally. Trading fairly active on light supplies. Unofficial prices for September 10, 2012: Round Red U.S. One 1,000 pound tote bags size A 10.00-12.00. Supplies in too few hands to establish a market. One shipper currently (September 10, 2012) shipping. **FIRST REPORT.**

CENTRAL MICHIGAN---Shipments 1-11-10---Movement expected to increase. Current light supplies in too few hands to establish a market. No daily F.O.B. Shipping Point prices currently being issued. Unofficial prices for Monday, September 10, 2012 Round White U.S. One 10 pound open window sacks loose 1.60-1.75. Harvest in Northern Michigan expected to begin current week.

EASTERN LONG ISLAND---Shipments 9-13-9---Movement expected to increase. Trading slow. Prices Round White U.S. One size A 50 pound sacks 6.00, large 9.50-10.00, Yellow Type U.S. One size A 10.00.

NORTHWEST WASHINGTON---Shipments 0-1-6 (including export 0-0-4)--- Movement expected to increase. Trading fairly active on limited supplies. Unofficial prices for September 10, 2012: Round Red U.S. One carton size A 14.00. Volume shipments of Round Red expected by week ending September 15, some Yellow Type light volume available September 12-15, and Long White light volume available September 17.

POTATOES FOR PROCESSING

MICHIGAN---Shipments to Chippers 322-310-245---Movement expected to increase. Most movement on pre-season contract. Too few open market sales to establish a market. Some harvesting curtailed due to scattered showers past week.

WISCONSIN---Shipments to Chippers 130-139-133---Movement expected to increase seasonally. Too few open market sales to establish a market. Monthly shipments for August 2012 were 357,000 hundredweight, compared to 427,000 hundredweight during the same period in August of 2011.

WESTERN AND CENTRAL NEW YORK---Shipments to Chippers 61-58-66--- Movement expected to increase slightly. Most movement on pre-season contract. Too few open market sales to establish a market.

MINNESOTA-NORTH DAKOTA (RED RIVER VALLEY)---Shipments to Chippers 29-50-55---Movement expected to increase seasonally. Too few open market sales to establish a market. Monthly shipments for August 2012 were 29,000 hundredweight, compared to 37,000 hundredweight during the same period in August of 2011.

MAINE---Shipments to Chippers 49-51-35---Movement expected to increase. Most movement on pre-season contract. Too few open market sales to establish a market.

PENNSYLVANIA---Shipments to Chippers 46-37-21---Movement expected to increase slightly. Most movement on pre-season contract. Too few open market sales to establish a market.

MASSACHUSETTS---Shipments to Chippers 18-21-11---Movement expected about the same. Most movement on pre-season contract. Too few open market sales to establish a market.

OHIO---Shipments to Chippers 3-2-4---Movement expected about the same. Most movement on pre-season contract. Too few open market sales to establish a market.

IDAHO---Open-market trading by processors with growers was inactive.

ONIONS, DRY

UNITED STATES---Shipments(including imports) 828-808*736---The top shipping areas for the week, in order, were Columbia Basin Washington, Idaho and Malheur County Oregon, San Joaquin Valley California, New York and Colorado. In the Market News Service weekly survey of over 21,000 individual stores, 8,486 retail stores had onions on ad (3-pound bag and per pound of Yellow, Sweet Yellow, White and Red onions) which is a decrease of 20 percent from last week. U.S. onion shipments for August 2012 were 9,175 (400 hundredweight) which was up 2 percent from the August 2011 total of 8,989 (400 hundredweight). *revised.

COLUMBIA BASIN, WASHINGTON AND UMATILLA BASIN OREGON---Shipments 203-258*-249 (includes export of 33-48-54)--- Movement expected to remain about the same. Trading moderate. Prices White medium higher, Yellow cartons, White and Red jumbo generally unchanged, Yellow colossal, jumbo and medium lower. Yellow Hybrid 50-pound sacks colossal 7.00-8.00, jumbo mostly 6.00, medium mostly 5.00-5.50; Yellow Hybrid Marked Sweet 40-pound carton 11.00-12.00; White 50-pound sacks jumbo mostly 11.00-12.00, medium 8.00-9.00; Red Globe Type 25-pound sacks jumbo 8.00-10.00, medium mostly 7.00. Columbia Basin onion shipments for August 2012 were 1,939 (400 hundredweight) which was up 22 percent from the August 2011 total of 1,587 (400 hundredweight). *revised.

IDAHO AND MALHEUR COUNTY OREGON---Shipments 194-211-222---Movement expected to remain about the same. Trading moderate. Prices Yellow colossal, jumbo and medium lower, others generally unchanged. U.S. One Yellow Spanish Hybrid 50-pound sacks Super Colossal mostly 12.00, colossal mostly 8.00-9.00, jumbo 6.00-7.00, medium 6.00; U.S. One White 50-pound sacks jumbo mostly 12.00, medium 10.00; U.S.

One Red Globe Type 25-pound sacks jumbo mostly 12.00, medium 8.00-10.00. Idaho and Malheur County onion shipments for August 2012 were 1,296 (400 hundredweight) was up significantly from August 2011.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA---Shipments 201-145-63---Movement expected to decrease seasonally as shippers expect to finish by the end of current week (September 9). Too few open market sales reported to establish a market. Shipments are from prior commitments. Shipments for the month of August were 2,315 (400 hundredweight units), an 18 percent decrease from August 2011 shipments of 2,840, (400 hundredweight units).

NORTH AND EAST POINTS COLORADO---Shipments 55-54-46---Movement expected to remain about the same. Unofficial prices for Monday, September 10, 2012 Yellow Hybrid 50-pound sacks jumbo 8.00-9.50, medium 7.00-8.50; White 50-pound sacks jumbo 14.00, medium 10.00-12.00. Colorado onion shipments for August 2012 were 629 (400 hundredweight) which was down 55 percent from the August 2011 total of 1,148 (400 hundredweight).

NEW YORK DISTRICT---Shipments 35-36-50---Movement expected to remain about the same. Trading moderate. Prices red lower, yellow unchanged. 50-pound sacks Yellow Globe type medium 2 1/4 inch minimum 9.00-10.00, 2 inch minimum mostly 7.50-8.00, master container 16 3-pound mesh sacks medium 2 1/4 inch minimum 11.50-13.00, 2 inch minimum 9.50-11.00, 25 pound sacks Red Globe type jumbo 14.00-15.00, medium 10.00-11.00. Quality good.

PERU IMPORTS REPACKED AT VARIOUS EAST COAST SHIPPING POINTS---Shipments 35-28-29---Movement expected to increase seasonally. Trading moderate. Prices generally unchanged. Yellow Granex Marked Sweet 40-pound carton colossal and jumbo 21.00-23.00. Shipments for the month of August were 274 (400 hundredweight units), an 80 percent increase from August 2011 shipments of 152 (400 hundredweight units).

CENTRAL WISCONSIN---Shipments 15-13-10---Movement expected to increase seasonally. Unofficial prices for Monday September 10, 2012 Yellow Hybrid 16 3-pound mesh sacks 12.00-12.50. The shipments for the month of August were 38 (400 hundredweight).

MICHIGAN---Shipments 9-9-10---Movement expected to increase as a few more growers get underway. Trading moderate. Prices lower. Master container 16 3-pound mesh sacks medium mostly 10.00-12.00, repacker size 8.00-10.00.

MEXICO CROSSINGS THROUGH SOUTH TEXAS---Crossings 16-11-7---Movement expected to decrease seasonally. Mexico Crossing onion shipments for August 2012 were 198 (400 hundredweight) which was the same as the August 2011 total of 198 (400 hundredweight).

ONIONS FOR PROCESSING

WESTERN UNITED STATES---Shipments 129-67*-59---Movement expected to remain about the same. No prices reported. Western U.S. onion processing shipments for the August 2012 were 1,303 (400 hundredweight) which was up 89 percent from the August 2011 total of 688 (400 hundredweight). *revised.

EASTERN UNITED STATES---Shipments 4-4-5---Movement expected to remain about the same. No prices reported. Eastern U.S. onion processing shipments for the August 2012 were 51 (400 hundredweight) which was down 69 percent from the August 2011 total of 162 (400 hundredweight).

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2	Idaho	50	Idaho & Malheur	77	Idaho Potato
3	San Luis Valley, CO		County, OR		Movement
4	Wisconsin	53	Peru Imports	78	U.S. Onion
5	Columbia Basin,	55	New York		Shipments
	WA & Umatilla	56	Michigan		
	Basin, OR	60	Columbia Basin,		
17	Delaware		WA & Umatilla		
18	Big Lake & Central		Basin, OR		
	MN				
24	Nebraska				